JNIT: YR8 Term 1 – What Are British Values?



Key Questions

What are British Values?

British Values are fundamental principles that underpin British society. These values are important because they:

- Promote fairness, respect, and understanding.
- Help create a safe and inclusive society for everyone.
- Shape the way we live, work, and interact with each other.

How do we uphold British Values?

- How can we promote British Values in our daily lives?
- How can we challenge prejudice and discrimination?
- How can we be active and responsible citizens?

The Core Values

Democracy:

- Definition: Having a say in who governs us.
- Examples: Voting in elections, participating in school councils.

The Rule of Law:

- Definition: Everyone being subject to the same laws.
- Examples: Following school rules, respecting the law.

Individual Liberty:

- Definition: Having the freedom to make choices within the law.
- Examples: Freedom of speech, freedom of religion, right to a fair trial.

Mutual Respect:

- Definition: Treating others with fairness and consideration.
- Examples: Respecting different cultures and beliefs, valuing other people's opinions.

Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs:

- Definition: Accepting and respecting people with different religious beliefs or no beliefs at all.
- Examples: Celebrating religious festivals of different faiths, learning about other cultures.

How Does this Affect Us?

British Values in Action:

- School Life: How are these values reflected in your school environment?
- · Local Community: How do you see these values in action in your local area?
- National Events: How do national events like Remembrance Day embody British Values?

Challenges to British Values:

- Prejudice and Discrimination: Judging people based on their race, religion, or other factors.
- Extremism: Holding extreme political or religious views that promote violence or hatred.
- Social Division: Issues like poverty and inequality can create divides in society.